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**From:** FertikEdgerton, Rachel [FertikEdgerton.Rachel@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 4/9/2018 2:17:03 PM  
**To:** Hurd, Kathy [Hurd.Kathy@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: 404 Training Registration

Thanks for taking the time to correct and clarify. Noted!

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**From:** Hurd, Kathy  
**Sent:** Monday, April 09, 2018 10:14 AM  
**To:** FertikEdgerton, Rachel <FertikEdgerton.Rachel@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: 404 Training Registration

Rachel, please be careful not to say the state program must be equivalent to the Corps program. Especially during the 404 training. That is inaccurate. If you can correct any others that may say that, it would be greatly appreciated (I know that is often USACE field staffs erroneous perception).

The purpose of the state application and is working with them is to ensure consistency and compliance with. Example is, EPA sets WQ criteria but states set their own std EPA approve. 404 examples:  
- MI will not allow mitigation bankers to sell r banking credits until the bank is built (they do not want temporal loss). That is consistent with and no less stringent than the corps Rita which allow the sale of some credits upon approval of a banking instrument.

I know the 404(g) program is taking a complicated program and making it more complex. Thanks Congress!

- thanks, Kathy  
Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 9, 2018, at 9:54 AM, FertikEdgerton, Rachel <FertikEdgerton.Rachel@epa.gov> wrote:

Good morning Krista. Thank you for your interest and your application. We will be in touch soon to let you know if we still have space after EPA staff have registered.

Just so you are fully aware going into it, the *process* of state assumption is not covered directly in this course. However, of course, for a state to assume the 404 program it is required that they become equivalent with the Corps program – including implementing the 404(b)(1) guidelines. So by taking the course you will become informed on the responsibilities that Arizona would be assuming by taking on the role in place of the Corps.

If you would like more information on the assumption process and assumption generally, I have copied my colleague Kathy Hurd, who works with me at EPA Headquarters.

Thank you,

Rachel

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**From:** Krista L. Osterberg [<mailto:Osterberg.Krista@azdeq.gov>]

**Sent:** Sunday, April 08, 2018 11:16 AM

**To:** FertikEdgerton, Rachel <[FertikEdgerton.Rachel@epa.gov](mailto:FertikEdgerton.Rachel@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** 404 Training Registration

Hello Rachel,

I would like to reserve space at the upcoming 404 training in June in New York City. Arizona is currently pursuing assumption of the 404 program, and this training would have great value for us. Please find my registration form attached.

Sincerely,

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